

*RESOLUTION NUMBER 75*

*WHEREAS*, we pause in our deliberations to recognize and honor prominent St. Louisan and legendary basketball coach and school administrator, Floyd Irons ; and

*WHEREAS*, Floyd is the son of John and Bertha Irons and is a distinguished graduate of Vashon High School and Langston University where he graduated summa cum laude and with the many honors accorded him as an outstanding college athlete; and

*WHEREAS*, after graduating from Langston University, Floyd joined the staff at Vashon High School in 1971 and is respected throughout this community for his commitment to education and to the growth and development of the young men and women who have been entrusted into his care for the last thirty-five years; and

*WHEREAS*, Floyd is a member of the Missouri Hall of Fame with the most winning record of any coach in the state, having coached his team to 6 consecutive wins, 10 state titles and the #1 ranking in the country in 2005; and

*WHEREAS*, Floyd, who is a faithful member of Mt. Olive Baptist Church from which he gains spiritual guidance and support, is the definitive educator, coach, mentor, friend, father figure, big brother; and

*WHEREAS*, throughout his remarkable career, Floyd has enjoyed the love and support of his wife Sandra, their son, Altonio and his many friends and admirers;

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED* by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we break from our regular agenda to acknowledge the outstanding career of Floyd Irons as teacher, mentor and coach at Vashon High School and we thank him for his commitment and dedication to the young people of this community and we further direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented to our honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 14th day of July, 2006 by:

**Honorable Freeman Bosley, Sr., Alderman 3rd Ward**  
**Honorable Michael McMillan, Alderman 19th Ward**

Adopted this the 14th day of July, 2006 as attested by:

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Patrick J. Connaghan  
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

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James F. Shrewsbury  
President, Board of Aldermen